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Dear Miss Rottner:

March 2 was a red-letter day for you and every Ohio Republican.

First came the news that our legislative redistricting plan -- the one that resulted in historic gains for Republicans in 1992 -- was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in a unanimous decision. After months of legal and political battles with the Democrats, we beat them ... again!

But the good news kept getting better. Because, later that day, House Speaker Vern Riffe announced he won't retire and intends to seek yet another term in 1994.

So, why is that good news for Ohio Republicans? After all, Riffe has been House Speaker for 18 years ... longer than anyone else in the country. And while the rest of state government has gone increasingly Republican, Riffe's rule has kept the Ohio House of Representatives in the Democrats' hands.

For nearly two decades, he has presided over a House that consistently supports more government through higher taxes ... a House where partisan politics is more important than public policy ... a House where Democrats are rewarded and Republicans are silenced.

The fact is, Riffe has built his own personal empire on the backs of Ohio taxpayers. And we want him around when it comes tumbling down. We want to defeat him and, with your help today, we will!

Even in the 1992 campaign, when Riffe and his Democrat committees spent nearly \$10 million to hold onto power, Republicans made historic gains. Today we hold 46 seats in the Ohio House -- just four shy of a majority and the most for Republicans since 1970.

Across the state, 57% of all elected offices are held by Republicans. We have the Governor, Secretary of State, and majorities in the Ohio Senate and State Supreme Court.

But, right now, Riffe rules the House. And he's the only obstacle between us and complete control of state government.

That's why, right now, Ohio Republicans must unite as one, pool our resources, and pledge our commitment to "dethrone" Vern Riffe. The best way you can help today is by agreeing to join us as a 1993 Sustaining Member.